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Applicant : Qihua (NMI) Xu
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For : METHOD AND COMPOSITION FOR METALLIC FINISHES

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

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Respectfully submitted,

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